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SUBJECT: GVN NOTE OF APRIL 16

1. SET FORTH BELOW IS TEXT OF GVN NOTE TO THE PARTIES TO THE ACT OF THE INTERNATIONAL CONF ON VN WHICH WAS FORMALLY TRANSMITTED TO EMB APRIL 16. ALTHOUGH NOTE WILL NOT BE PUBLICLY RELEASED BY GVN UNTIL APR 17 MFA HAS INFORMED US THAT UPON RECEIPT OF THIS MSG DEPT MAY USE NOTE IN ANY WAY IT SEES FIT REGARDLESS OF RELEASE DATE. MFA ALSO REQUESTS THAT TEXT BE PASSED TO GVN REPS, IF THERE ARE SUCH, AT ADDRESSEE POSTS.

2. BEGIN TEXT. NOTE NO. 00944/BNG/37

THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM PRESENTS ITS COMPLIMENTS TO THE PARTIES TO THE ACT OF THE INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON VIETNAM SIGNED IN PARIS ON 2 MARCH 1973 AND HAS THE HONOUR TO DRAW THEIR PARTICULAR ATTENTION TO THE FOLLIWNG:

3. IN TOTAL CONTEMPT OF THE PARIS AGREEMENT AND IN OPEN DEFIANCE OF WORLD PUBLIC OPINION, NORTH VIETNAM IS STUBBORNLY CONTINUING ITS MASSIVE AND ALL-OUT OFFENSIVE AGAINST THE REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM, INFLECTING UNTOLD MISERY ON MILLIONS OF INNOCENT SOUTH VIETNAMESE PEOPLE.

4. IN ITS DECLARATION OF 24 MARCH 1975, THE MINISTRY HAS CALLED ON NATIONS AND INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS TO STRONGLY CONDEMN THE BRAZEN GENERAL OFFENSIVE BY COMMUNIST NORTH VIETNAM, ACTIVELY SUPPORT THE GOVERNMENT AND PEOPLE OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM, AND PROVIDE THE VICTIMS OF THIS COMMUNIST AGGRESSION WPTH URGENT AND ADQUATE ASSISTANCE.

5. IN ITS NOTE OF 29 MARCH 1975, THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM ALSO APPEALED TO THE PARTIES TO THE ACT OF THE NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON VIETNAM SIGNED IN PARIS ON 2 MARCH 1973 TO TAKE STRONG AND IMMEDIATE MEASURES TO RESTORE RESPECT FOR THE PARIS AGREEMENT.

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6. FOR ITS PART, IT IS A WELL-KNOW FACT THAT THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM HAS EXERTED EVERY POSSIBLE EFFORT TO STRICTLY ENFORCE ALL PROVISIONS OF THE PARIS AGREEMENT. ESPECIALLY IN THE SEARCH FOR A POLITICAL SOLUTION OF THE ISSUE OF SOUTH VIETNAM, THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM HAS SEVERAL TIMES ADVANCED SONCTRUCTIVE PROPOSALS WHICH SET FORTHE A PROCESS THAT WOULD LEAD TO GENERAL ELECTIONS THROUGH WHICH THE SOUTH VIETNAMESE PEOPLE COULD ECERCISE THEIR RIGHT TO SELF-

DETERMINATION AS PRESCRIBED BY THE PARIS AGREEMENT. THUS FAR, THE SO-CALLED "PRG/SVN" HAS SYSTEMATICALLY REFUSED TO RESPOND TO OUR GOODWILL.

7. HIS EXCELLENCY NGUYEN VAN THIEU, PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM, AT THE INAUGURATION CEREMONY OF THE NEW CABINET LED BY HIS EXCELLENCY NGUYEN BA CAN, WHICH TOOK PLACE ON 14 APRIL 1975, SOLEMNLY REITERATED THE UNCHANGEING POSITION OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM WHICH IS DETERMINED TO MAINTAIN ITS GOODWILL TO THE UTMOST IN ORDER TO REACH A POLITICAL SOLUTION LEADING TO PEACE. THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM CONTINUES TO COMMIT ITSELF TO THE PRINCIPLE OF DISCUSSIONS OF ALL ISSUES, ON THE BASIS OF THE PARIS AGREEMENT OF 27 JANUARY 1973, INCLUDING THE FORMATION OF THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF RECONCILIATION AND CONCORD.

8. IN THE FACE OF THE BRUTAL GENERAL OFFENSIVE LAUNCHED BY TWENTY DIVISIONS OF THE NORTH VIETNAMESE ARMY -- AN UNDENIABLE EVIDENCE THAT NORTH VIETNAM IS OPENLY WAGING ITS WAS OF CONQUEST AGAINST THE REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM -- THE GOVERNMENT, THE PEOPLE AND THE ARMED FORCES OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM ARE DETERMINED TO HOLD OUT AT ANY PRICE AGAINST THE COMMUNIST AGGRESSION AND TO PROTECT OUR FATHERLAND.

. HOWEVER, FAITHFUL TO ITS UNSWERING COMMITMENT TO THE STRICT RESPECT AND SCRUPULOUS IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PARIS AGREEMENT, BASED ON ITS GENUINE DESIRE FOR PEACE, THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM ALSO REAFFIRMS ITS WILL TO KEEP THE DOORS OPEN TO NEGOTIATIONS WITHOUT ANY PRECONDITIONS AS PREVIOUSLY STATED IN ITS DECLARATION OF 7 NOVEMBER 1974.

10. THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM  
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EARNESTLY APPEALS TO THE PARTIES TO THE ACT OF THE INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON VIETNAM SIGNED IN PARIS ON 2 MARCH 1973 TO ACT EITHER SEPARATELY OR JOINTY TO PUT AN END TO THE WAR OF AGGRESSION AGAINST THE REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM, TO ENSURE THAT ALL HOSTILITIES ARE STOPPED IMMEDIATELY, AND TO HELP IN RESUMING GENUINE NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM AND THE COMMUNIST SIDE.

11. THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM AVAILS ITSELF OF THIS OPPORTUNITY TO RENEW TO THE PARTIES TO THE ACT OF THE INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON VIETNAM THE ASSURANCES OF ITS HIGHEST CONSIDERATION. SAIGON, 16 APRIL 1975  
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